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25 December 1954

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Mr. Harold Boeschenstein
Chairman, Business Advisory Council
Room 7527, Department of Commerce
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Boeschenstein:

I wish to thank you for your courteous letter of 14 December 1954 and to tell you how much I enjoyed meeting with the Business Advisory Council. I have found among the Council membership a large number of persons who are not only personal friends of long-standing but who have rendered me in my work here unfailing cooperation whenever I have asked it. It was a pleasure to have had this further opportunity of meeting with you.

Faithfully yours,

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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14 December 1954

Honorable Allen W. Dulles, Director
Central Intelligence Agency
2430 E Street, N. W.
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Allen:

We are deeply grateful to you for joining up with us last Wednesday evening and for giving us the very comprehensive and clear picture of our position in relation to Soviet physical and man power resources and political purposes. You gave us an intensely interesting, if not entirely comforting, picture.

It is a grim business, but many of us feel that we are more fortunate than perhaps we deserve to be in having the experience, understanding, acumen and loyalty you bring to a field that is comprehended by so few in our country. We are also indebted to you for your willingness to serve.

Many thanks too for violating your personal rule against making Washington appearances and talks, in order to meet with your friends in the Council. I enjoyed my visit with you during dinner.

With warm best wishes and highest regards, I am

Sincerely,

Harold Boeschstein

Chairman

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25 December 1954

Dear Walter:

I greatly enjoyed my evening with the Business Advisory Council. It was a real privilege to have had this opportunity of meeting so many old friends who have always been of unflinching help to me in my present work.

Faithfully yours,

and Allen W. Dulles
Director

Walter White, Esq.
Executive Director
Business Advisory Council
Department of Commerce
Washington, D. C.

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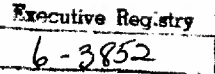
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THE SECRETARY OF COMMERCE
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December 10, 1954.

The Honorable
Allen W. Dulles
Director, Central Intelligence
Agency
Washington, D. C.

Dear Allen:

Thank you for your letter of December 6, 1954, supplementing the formal reply regarding the appointment of a man on the interdepartmental committee dealing with strategic information. Our people are happy to have representing your group.

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Your personal feelings in this matter are most helpful and we are fully aware of the complexity of the problem that we are facing. Particularly is it helpful for you to point out that much of the information we are concerned about is emanating from government sources. Mr. R. Karl Honaman who is heading the new office has already told me he has become acutely aware of this phase of the problem and he is endeavoring to make progress in tackling it.

Thanks also for sending the reprint of the interview with David Lawrence. This will be helpful to our folks.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary of Commerce

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4 December 1954

The Honorable
Sinclair Weeks
Secretary of Commerce
Department of Commerce
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Weeks:

I have your letter of November 24 describing the steps your Department has taken to implement NSC 5427 and requesting this Agency to nominate a representative to serve on the Advisory Committee you are establishing.

I am fully aware of the importance of this program to prevent unnecessary disclosure of strategic information to our potential enemies. I therefore selected [redacted] a senior member of our Board of National Estimates as our representative on your interdepartmental committee. I am certain you will find him fully qualified to present all aspects of intelligence bearing on the work of the committee.

In accordance with your instructions he will promptly get in touch with Mr. Monahan.

Sincerely yours,

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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The Honorable
Allen W. Dulles
Director, Central Intelligence
Agency
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

The National Security Council in NSC Document 5427, dated July 19, 1954, has directed this Department to establish a unit to develop policy regarding the flow of information which may possibly be harmful to the security of the United States. This office has now been activated in my immediate office as the Office of Strategic Information to attack three problems set forth by the Security Council:

(1) To reactivate the program which provides a clearing house for business and industry in the voluntary consideration of the public release of unclassified information where such publication might be prejudicial to the defense interests of the United States. This contemplates voluntary participation.

(2) To establish an advisory committee with representatives of appropriate agencies for the purpose of furnishing guidance to executive agencies of the government on the publication of unclassified information originating in various agencies of the executive branch.

(3) To activate the program proposed by ICIS for controlling the direct export of unclassified government technical publications to Soviet bloc countries. This includes consideration of the value of exchanges in situations where such exchanges may prove of value to the United States.

One of the problems which must be recognized is that the Federal Government itself is a large source of information of strategic value.

In consultation with ICIS as directed, steps are now being taken to create the advisory committee mentioned in item 2 above and I would appreciate it if you would designate an individual on your staff to represent the Central Intelligence Agency on this committee.

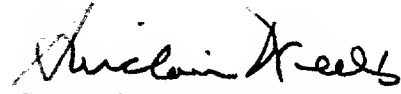
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Mr. Allen W. Dulles
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In setting up the Office of Strategic Information, I have secured the services of R. Karl Honaman, Director of Publication, Bell Laboratories, to be Director of this office. It is suggested that your designated member of this inter-departmental committee contact Mr. Honaman as soon as possible.

Sincerely yours,


Secretary of Commerce

6-3495

6 December 1954

The Honorable
Sinclair Weeks
Secretary of Commerce
Department of Commerce
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sinclair:

I have written you a formal reply to your letter of 24 November, nominating one of our very senior men on your committee to prevent unnecessary disclosure of strategic information to our potential enemies.

I wanted to add this personal line as I feel very strongly about this matter and sincerely hope that your committee will come up with an answer to this perplexing problem. Also, I may say I feel that the disclosures are not only through private channels but that various branches of the government itself also bear responsibility. In fact, there is far too much written about my own shop and I am trying to cut this down.

In any event, I just wanted to assure you of my keen interest in the project and desire to help in any way. As of possible interest, I enclose a copy of an interview I gave David Lawrence some months ago which touched on this subject and got a good bit of publicity at the time.

Sincerely yours,

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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4 December 1954

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Sinclair Weeks
Secretary of Commerce
Department of Commerce
Washington, D. C.

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In accordance with your instructions he will promptly get in touch with Mr. Honaman.

Sincerely yours,

Allen W. Dulles
Director



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13 November 1954

Walter White, Esquire
Business Advisory Council
Department of Commerce
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Walter:

Following my telephone conversation with you, I also had a talk with Sidney Weinberg, and in reply to your letter of November 10th I wish to confirm that it will be a pleasure for me to dine with the Business Advisory Council on December 8th and speak briefly on the work of the CIA. I suggest that I might speak for 15 or 20 minutes, and then if this is usual procedure, as Sidney Weinberg indicated, it might be appropriate to have some questions and general discussion.

Faithfully yours,

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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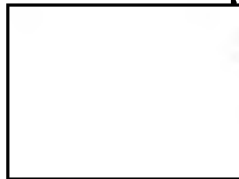
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Dulles

The Office of Management, of which
[redacted] is a member, has been notified
of the contents of this letter. [redacted]
is just starting on this job.



[Handwritten signature]

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY

WASHINGTON

Address reply:

Room 2322

Department of Commerce

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September 14, 1954

The Honorable Allen W. Dulles
Director, Central Intelligence Agency
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

STAT I appreciate your kindness in permitting
STAT [redacted] of your staff to serve as a
member of the group that the Secretary of Commerce
has asked me to get together to advise him on
possible applications of modern machine methods and
techniques to various Patent Office operations.
[redacted] special knowledge and experience in the
field of machine operations will, I am sure, contribute
significantly to the group. I hope to organize the
study in such a way as to make the minimum demand
on the time of the individual members.

Any improvements in the processes of the
Patent Office that may emerge as a result of this
study not only enhance the value to our country of
the entire patent system, but may very well contribute,
also, to greater efficiency in those operations of
both government and industry that are concerned with
patent matters.

Cordially yours,

V. Bush, Chairman
Committee on Application of Machines to
Patent Office Operations

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20 August 1954

The Honorable Sinclair Weeks
The Secretary of Commerce
Department of Commerce
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

In the absence of Mr. Dulles who is
away on a short trip, I want to acknowledge
and thank you for your kind letter of 18 August
concerning [redacted]

I will bring it to the Director's attention
immediately upon his return.

Sincerely yours,

[redacted]
Assistant to the Director

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CIVIL AERONAUTICS ADMINISTRATION
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Honorable Allen W. Dulles
Director, Central Intelligence Agency
Washington 25, D. C.

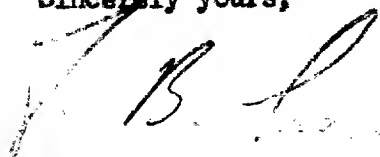
Dear Mr. Dulles:

The Civil Aeronautics Administration issues airman certificates to aliens in accordance with the standards prescribed by the Civil Aeronautics Board in the Civil Air Regulations. These certificates are issued to such aliens as qualify with the technical standards prescribed in the Civil Air Regulations.

Since various law enforcement agencies of the United States Government may have an interest in aliens holding such airman certificates, the Civil Aeronautics Administration is considering the feasibility of preparing and distributing to these agencies such lists setting forth the name of the alien, date of birth, country of citizenship and class of airman certificate issued.

Inasmuch as the preparation of these lists will involve approximately 180 man-hours of labor, your advice is solicited as to whether these lists would be considered of use to your Department. Your opinion would be appreciated at your earliest possible convenience.

Sincerely yours,



Administrator of Civil Aeronautics

Commerce

Executive Registry

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

OFFICE OF BUSINESS ECONOMICS

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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In reply refer to BE-50

- Information Requested of United States Residents Returning From Travel in Foreign Countries

The enclosed questionnaire card is being distributed to a number of United States residents who have recently returned from trips abroad.

The purpose of the questionnaire is to enable the Department of Commerce to determine the amount of dollars made available to foreign countries through foreign travel by United States residents. The compilation of international transactions of the United States, in which the Department of Commerce has been engaged for many years, discloses the total amount of dollars made available to foreign countries and the purchases made with these dollars from the United States by foreigners.

It is very important that we obtain as many responses as possible from our questionnaire, in order that our sample may be adequate. No signature to the questionnaire is required. The information has nothing to do with customs enforcement or taxation and will be held confidential by this Office.

We ask your cooperation in filling out the enclosed questionnaire carefully and promptly. Approximate amounts may be given when you have completed the card, drop it in a mail box. No postage stamp is necessary. Any questions which you may have will be welcome.

Thank you.

Walther Lederer

Walther Lederer, Acting Chief
Balance of Payments Division

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17 March 1954

Hon. Sinclair Weeks
Secretary of Commerce
Department of Commerce
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sinclair:

Enclosed is a copy of the National Intelligence Estimate on the matter of trade controls, which I briefly summarized at last Thursday's meeting of the NSC. With a few changes in the draft I had at the NSC meeting, this has now been approved by all the intelligence agencies represented on the Intelligence Advisory Committee.

At the NSC meeting you suggested that there might be a difference of opinion between us on one or two points but possibly the full text of our memorandum will clear this up.

If you have any comments on the estimate, I should be very grateful to receive them.

Faithfully yours,

SIGNED
Allen W. Dulles
Director

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

Hon. Sinclair Weeks
Secretary of Commerce
Department of Commerce
Washington, D. C.

My Dear Sinclair:

Enclosed is a copy of the ~~Final~~ National Intelligence Estimate on the matter of trade controls, ~~an earlier draft of which I summarized at last Thursday's meeting of the NSC.~~

While the final estimate has been altered in a number of ways from the draft which I had last Thursday, I believe the most important conclusions are along the same lines as in the draft. At the NSC meeting you suggested that there might be a difference of opinion between us on one or two points, particularly machine tools, but possibly the full text of our memorandum will clear up this point up.

If you have any comments on the estimate, I should be very grateful for them.

Faithfully yours,

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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With a few changes in the draft I had at the NSC meeting. No changes have been allowed by all intelligence agencies.

Submitted with Intelligence Advisory Committee.

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Remarks: As indicated at the Deputies' Meeting this morning, the Director is willing to hold this up or handle this matter in another way as you suggested. Please let me know what you decide to do.

Task: Bob decided to hold off till the estimate was cleared by IAC today. Advance copies will then go to Mr. Wickert, Asst. Sec. Anderson, with normal copies.
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Hon. Sinclair Weeks
Secretary of Commerce
Department of Commerce
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sinclair:

Enclosed is a copy of the final National Intelligence Estimate on the matter of trade controls, an earlier draft of which I summarized at last Thursday's meeting of the NSC.

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Faithfully yours,

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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March 12, 1954

Hon. Sinclair Weeks
Secretary of Commerce
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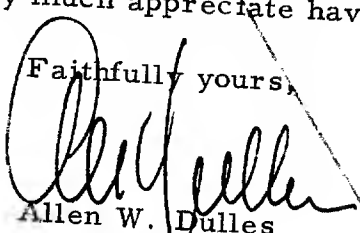
My dear Sinclair:

I enclose a copy of the memorandum prepared by our Board of National Estimates on the matter of trade controls which I briefly summarized at yesterday's meeting of the NSC.

At the meeting you suggested that there might be a difference of opinion between us on one or two points, particularly machine tools, but possibly the full text of our memorandum will clear up this point.

If you have any suggestions or comments on the memorandum, I would very much appreciate having them.

Faithfully yours,


Allen W. Dulles
Director

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March 12, 1954

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Secretary of Commerce
Department of Commerce
Washington, D. C.

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SIGNED

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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